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s of the tree heart's hope and home!
y angel hands to valor given;
turs have lit the welkin dome,
turs have lit the welkin dome,
all thy hues were born in Heaven,
bere breathes the foe but falls be-

-Joseph Rodman Drake.

### CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

The First Congressional District Republican Convention will be held in the Park Casino, Wheeling, on Thursday, July 14, 1888, at 11 d clock a. m., to nominate a candidate for Representative in the Congress of the United States, to be voted for at the election to be held in November next. The counties of the district shall be entitled to choose delegates to said convention as follows:

By order of the committee. C. D. ELLIOTT, Chairman. W. J. W. COWDEN, Secretary.

### OHIO COUNTY REPUBLICAN TICKET.

(Nominated June 28, 1898.) For House of Delegates, (Nominated June 28, 1898.)
For House of Delegates,
H. F. BEHRENS,
B. W. CONNELLY,
HARRY W. McLURE,
RALPH McCOY.

### Destruction of a Naval Power.

The details of the destruction of Cervera's Spanish fleet on Sunday, published this morning, present a thrilling account of one of the most notable naval episodes, in all history, which only finds its counterpart in some respects in the brilliant achievement by the American flect at Manila, which won fame for Admiral Dewey in a day. The reports settle a point that was in doubt-namely that this powerful Spanish fleet was destroyed by shells from the American warships under the command of Admiral Sampson, with the loss of but one American killed and three wounded. Not one of these vessels, which were sent to annihilate the naval power of the United States, escaped the certain fate which was inevitably to follow the courageous attempt for freedom from the imprisonment in which it had been held for six weeks by the combined American squadrons.

This last blow, which renders Spain a naval power of the smallest and weakest class, while a signal and in all probbility a decisive victory for American seamanship and gunnery, was accomseamanahlp and gunnery, was accom-panied by one of the most remarkable displays of courage and determination in the face of death, on the part of the Spanish commanders and crews, recorded in paval history.

Driven to desperation by the certainty of destruction or capture if he remained in Santiago harbor, Admiral Cervera humiliations on the one side, and the equally almost certain destruction that would follow a dash for liberty. To the credit of the bravery of Cevera and his command, and the characteristic temacity of the Spanlard in a hopeless went down to total destruction, torn to pieces by American shot and shell, with Spanish colors flying, and without so much as a token of surrender from any quarter, until the last vestige of Span-ish naval power in this hemisphera was ish naval power in this hemisphere was wiped from existence.

The brilliancy of the action of the

American fleet, the joy of its triumph the pride of the conquering heroes, did not cause the Americans to forget that this is a war for humanity's cause, and toneglecttocare for the survivors of the crews who fell into their hands. When the commander of the Gloucester ceived the distinguished wounded Sp igh commander, Admiral Cervera, himself, on board his vessel as prisoner of war, he saluted him with congratulatious, as having made "as gallant a fight as was ever seen on sea," he paid him a tribute justly deserved.

To-day will lend the story with the bombardment of Santiago and its cap-ture, General Shafter having humanely extended the time necessary for the 20,000 women and children and old persons in the city to be transferred to places of safety before making the as-sault. It is believed on two continents that these events will bring an end to

The New York World of Sunday was just a bit too hasty, as most war critics are, in characterizing the operations at Santiago as ineffective and ordering the government to send the Watson fleet to of the old feeling of a generation ago, Always keep it for your guesta.

Spain forthwith, without wafting for the completion of matters at the Cuban stronghold. The trouble with the yellow journals, that know so much more about what should be done than the men who are at the front, is that they always give their advice just about the time their assumptions used as a basis are being proved false by tremendous events.

### An Historic Fourth.

Yesterday was an historic occasion in the United States. For almost a cen-tury and a quarter the people of this great republic have been celebrating Independence Day, but not before in recent years have they had so much which added to the patriotic fervor of the Na-tion. As if by design of Fate, it seemed, the people of the country, who had re-tired on the night of July 35 with apprehensions as to what the news from the seat of war might be in the morning of the day on which they had expected to celebrate, a notable victory of American arms, as well as the occasion upon which the republic was born, awoke to find that their fears, far from being realized, were dispelled to give place to re-joicing over a victory achieved by American heroes. And this victory was in behalf of a cause involving the principles laid down in the declaration of the inalienable rights of men, the signing of which gave Independence Day its significance. Coupled with the news of our American soldiers holding the advantages they had gained at such a fearful cost came the report of the destruction of the enemy's war fleet.

Is it any wonder that, everywhere throughout the land, and in other lands where American citizens and soldiers and seamen are, Independence Day seemed more glorious than ever to the living generations of Americans, and that the flag appeared to wave more proudly in the breeze? Is it any wonder that the Fourth of July assumed a new significance to the young and revived in the memories of the old the days when Independence Day was each year the re vival of the quality of patriotism which is expressed in the Declaration itself?

It was a day for the celebration of the triumph of American arms over a forbut, mingled with the rejoicing was the grief of the Nation that it could not be so without the sacrifice of the lives, and the maiming of hundreds of brave American men who freely offered themselves for the sacrifice, and that more must fall before the victory at Santiago is completed to-day. With the waving of the flag throughout the length and breadth of the republic, the playing of the bands, the firing of the cannon and the displays of fireworks the heroes who fell on foreign soil, but while following the same flag, and the living heroes who remain there, themselves ready to do what their comrades did, if further oc-

casion arises, were not forgotten.

It is a sad thought that the news of a great victory in war and destruction of the enemy, which sets an entire Nation almost wild with joy, must contain also that which brings sorrow—grief for the lives that were sacrificed, and sorrow for those who have been deprived of fathers, sons, brothers and husbands To these have come home the real hor-rors of war, and to their hearts the sound of the rejoicings of the Nation conveys no comfort save that of the consciousness that those for whom they mourn fell for a righteous cause.

Let not those who have had the sacri-

fice to bear be forgotten. There was no joy in their Independence Day. They are comparatively few, but it is possible that their number will be largely added to before other victories for lib-erty and humanity, such as that celebrated on Independence Day, are hailed by a joyful Nation.

This is the feature of war that all dislike to think about, and which war ad-vocates seldom permit themselves to contemplate. Perhaps if the thoughts that come after the realization of war could be suberly weighed before the realization there would be fewer who would denounce as cowards those who are willing to exhaust honorable peace meas-

res before war is resorted to. But for all these things, and they are necessary incidents, even of the most righteous of wars, Independence Day, 1898, has been made memorable as a day in which the achievements of the fathers of the republic were not only remember. ed, but as one in which honor was given the srms of the republic they founded, in siriking a decisive blow at the last vestige of despotic monarchical rule on the western hemisphere, and in making more possible the opening up of a new light in the Orient.

### An Ex-Confederate Reunion.

An interesting event which will begin on the 20th of the present month at Atlanta, Georgia, will be the annual re-union of the Veterans of the Southern Confederacy, which, it is said, will be historic as marking the end of the first generation which has run its course since the end of the civil war, It will be an occasion of anniversaries of noted events of the war, but in the main, so it is announced, a patrictic demonstration of the devotion of the southern people to the flag, and the spirit of unity which is just now inspiring the hearts of all Americans, without regard to section, and which present events are bringing

out in bold relief everywhere.

In no other country could this be so, and in no other country could the fact exist that those who fought to the bitter exist that those who fought to the office end with these brave southern veterans are wishing them well on this annual reinton occasion. A letter issued by Gen. George Mondman, concerning the reunion, touches upon the present situation in the Nation, and disabuses in the mind of any one the unjust idea that such a union will be sectional in its charac-

ter, in the following language:
"The war will in no wise interfere with the objects, purposes and plans of the reunion, as the aims of the United Confederate Veterans are, as stated in the constitution, strictly social, literary, historical, and benevolent, and will be so long as we can aid our living heroes. and protect and perpetuate the fame of our dead.

The Federal veterans, those who The Federal veterans, those was fought for the Union cause, will sympathize with their southern brethren in these worthy purposes. It has become of late a common sight to witness Confederate veterans joining with their Federal brethren in their reunions to renew old-time friendships and to pledge with them a common featly to one flag and one country, and in this great reunion of the southern nin, similar scenes will be witnessed. The comon cause in which every part

and reunions of the southern men have a deeper and more patriotic significance in them than ever before.

### Our Troops in the Philippines.

The arrival of the three transports with American troops at Cavite, which was reported yesterday, has probably ere this been followed by activities of great importance. An incident of the trip was the capture and investment of the Ladrone Islands enroute, thus giving to the United States an important supply basis. The Spanish governor and other officials were taken to Cavite on the Charleston. The arrival of the long-looked for assistance for Dewey revives interest in the operations in the Philip-pines, and some stirring reports may be expected from Manila at any time.

No uneasiness need be felt concerning the approach of the Spanish Cadiz fleet to the Philippines. It is not at all likely that it will face the American fleet, or that the latter will ever get a sight of

it. If such a thing should occur, then the remains of the Spanish navy will go the way of the fleets that have gone before. In the meantime, matters are shaping themselves in the direction of the end of the war in a manner which is perfectly satisfactory to the United

#### Catch-Penny Cruelty.

The yellow journals in New York are now having opportunity to include in their brutal sensationalism to their hearts' content. Their productions of illustrations are something frightful, senting scenes of horror, in which regiments containing members of those homes are alleged by the yellow journals to have participated. A New York contemporary refers aptly to the Jour-nal's brutality on this line in picturing, from imagination, of course, a shell bursting, on a page of the paper in the middle of the roster of the Seventy-first

New York regiment.
Our contemporary is not violent when it characterizes this sort of journalism as "undoubtedly the most dimnable plece of catch-penny cruely that the brain of degenerate man has yet evolved." We say this language is not violent, because it doesn't half express the degree of cruelty.

#### Wheeling's Health.

The report of City Health Officer Jep-son for the past quarter of the current year shows, by comparison and general statements, a very satisfactory condition of healthfulness in the city, the death rate of the quarter just closed, being but 14.94 per 1,000 population, compared with 17.47 per 1,000 last year.

Dr. Jepson calls attention to the fact that one-fourth the total number of deaths during the quarter were of persons over sixty years of age. He also notes that the city is now free from any prevailing disease. This is gratifying as showing the general healthful condition of Wheeling.

Germany officially denies the story concerning a tripartite agreement between herself, Russia and France concerning the Philippines. It was unnec essary. It isn't likely that Germany would go into such an agreement at this time, or that she would be willing to take such a risk after the war is over. An international congress such as the one indicated, could not accomplish anything practical. Perhaps Germany's plans look to another route for taking care of "German interests."

Even Buffalo Bill's most gaudily painted Indians were broad emiles of satisfaction yesterday. Perhaps they satisfaction yesterday. Perhaps they were thinking of what Spain is getting for having discovered America and taken a large slice of it away from their

The weather yesterday was much more comfortable than to the day previous and the Fourth of July celebrants were able to enjoy themselves without dan-ger of being overcome by the sort of tropical heat which preceded it. The news of the arrival of the Ameri-

can transports with relief and troops to assist Dewey was not the least of the good Fourth of July reports received yesterday. It is given out that England does not contemplate an engrinous increase of her

#### navy, as was reported. It may be added that she does not need to increase it. BEWILDERING HUMAN NATURE.

The most inveterate smoker never A girl is a coquette from the time she wears her first new daess,

If all the world ever loved a lover mes have changed a great deal. The most acceptable fairy godmother a crabby old spinster aunt with a lot

of money.

He who is always talking about the joys of married life doesn't have to bother much with the children.

In saying goodby the man who appears the calmest and least unmoved feels the keenest. She who seems most tearful and demonstrative is least affected.

fected.

It is easy enough for a man to fool another. Only an adopt can fool a woman. A woman never can fool another woman, but the dullest of them find the shrewdest of men unsophisticated,—New York Press. Homr.

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Home.

At last the nation, tired of strife, as conqueror reposed;
The temple of the god of war with shouts.
For many blessed age;
For many blessed age;
The dove of peace was brooding o'er the seven hills of Rome.
Not now the frenzied call "To arms!" fell on the startled ear—
Not now in every street was heard the clash of sword and spear.
For many calm and peaceful days—the clash of sword and spear.
For many calm and peaceful days—the with his own.
A ladore could earn his bread and share it with his own.
A malden wandered through the dusk, and heard her lover's vow.
And did not fear she soon must bind a heimet on his brow.
A mother kissed her babe in joy; and though it were a son.
Bed did not grieve lest be be killed before for many blessed days the world rang glad the tidings out.
"The men of Rome are all at peace with all the world about!"
Those tranquil times from Comfort's lips

all the world about!"

Those tranquil times from Comfort's lips threw kisses, near and far;
And everything was brighter, from a flower unto a star.
And every swinging blade of grass, and every swinging blade of grass, and every towering the theorem of the comparison of the comparis

ould be. -Will Carleton's Magazine.



#### POINTED PARAGRAPHS,

The keener the critic the more cutting the criticism.

It's sometimes difficult to get infor-mation from a bank teller. Times and silence occasionally suc-

When the flying machine refuses to soar it makes the inventor sore. Shallow-brained people bow to the clothes rather than to the wearer.

A man's failure to accumulate a for-tune is seldom due to his liberality. After marriage it's sometimes a case of two fools with but a single thought.

When a woman can't find any place else to put a thing she holds it in her

Rumors of war are less interesting to

Some young wives love old husbands because of their ability to transform tirem into rich widows.

For every dollar a woman spends on her dress she gots about ninety cents worth of show and ten cents worth of comfort.

comfort.

The American engle is a tough old bird, but there is a legal tenderness about its portrait on a silver dollar.

The man who isn't capable of filling the office better than the man appointed has yet to be born in this great and glorious republic.—Chicago News.

#### PASSING PLEASANTRIES.

In 1950.—"He's from somewhere down east." "New England or the Philippines?"—Puck.

Jones-Why do you say she reminds you of brown sugar? Brown-Because she's sweet, but unrefined.—Judy.

she's sweet, but unrefined.—Judy.

Absent-minded Professor (in the bathtub)—Well, well, own I have forgotten what I got in here for.—Filegende Blatter.

Good for the Doctor.—Invalid—I would rather be dead than as I ami Attending Physician—Ah, madam, you should live and er—let live.—Detroit Journal.

"Does your cook make any trouble when you presume to go in the kitchen and tell her how to do things?" "Oh, no; she doesn't (ake any notice!"—Household Words.

she doesn't take any notice!"—Household Words.

"Confound these consumers!" exclaimed the wheelman as he gazed at his punctured tire. He had heard something about the tacks always coming out of the consum "Boston Transcript.

The Patriotte h paye "You did not go to the front to say your country? "No. I'm one of the dlows who stayed at home drio ter beer and drawing checks.—"I cland Plain Dealer.

We All Know I'm dockson and his wife do not kee ary well together, do they? "To be he is the kind of a feliow who inhely does his duty to his wife." I sladelphia North American.

He adut His Lawyer.—"I want to ask

American,

He Met His Lawyer.—'I want to ask your opinion,' he said, "about the right of the United States to retain the Philippines. I don't mean a legal opinion," he hastily added. "I only want your honest opinion."—Indianapolis Journal.

A Refection.—'A throne," said the boy king with the gravity becoming his saution, "is very much like a bicycle," "In what respect?" Inquired the prime minister. "Things go easily enough while you're on. But it's hard to dismount gracefully."—Washington Star.

He thought it safer to write to the

mount gracefully."—Washington Star.
He thought it safer to write to the
girl's father for her hand. He was an
ardent lover, but a poor speller, and his
note ran: "It want your daughter—the
flour of your family." "The flour of my
family is good." repiled the old man;
"are you sure it isn't my dough you're
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